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**Executive Director's Report**  
**August 14, 2009**

**May**

- 8 & 9 Attended the Tennessee Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Annual Conference in Chattanooga
- 14 Traveled to Columbia VR Office to re-set their TTY
- 21 Doug Hardman from National Deaf Academy met with Lygia Williams and me
- 28 Presented at the MegaConference, "Shaken Not Stirred, A Sobering View of Mental Health Services to the Deaf Community"

**June**

- 2 Presented at the Emergency Preparedness Meeting, "You Said What? Huh? How to Communicate with those who are Hard of Hearing"
- 3 & 4 TN Suicide Prevention Network Advisory Council
- 5 TTY and Relay Training given at Disability Determination Services
- 18-21 National Hearing Loss Association of America Conference – Nashville

**July**

- 9-11 44<sup>th</sup> Biennial Tennessee Association of the Deaf Conference – Jackson

**August**

- 1-7 National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Biennial Conference – Philadelphia

-Also provided information and referral to those who sought hearing aids, interpreter services, and advocacy.